Recently my wife tried to switch telephone carriers. We were told by our present carrier (COX) that we could not have our unlisted number and that to change to AT&T, we had to first go back to the local carrier (Verizon) and then after a couple of weeks request to be changed to AT&T - what a crock! First, I feel it should not be a problem for COX to give us the number - it's just a number, come on guys! Secondly, I thought deregulation was going to make things easier - why don't you give MA BELL it's monopoly back! We were better off back then!

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